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1. ROK COUNSELLOR HAM, POLITICAL CONSELLOR AND MISOFF
AUG 2 DISCUSSED AGENDA FOR NEW YORK CONSULTATION ON

KOREAN QUESTION. BOTH SIDES AGREED TO FOLLOWING:

A. ROK EXPLANATION OF ITS PRESENT POLICY INCLUDING
PRESIDENT PARK'S JUNE 23 STATEMENT.

B. EXCHANGE OF VIEWS ON ACTIVITIES OF OTHER SIDE

C. INVITATIONAL ASPECT (HOW KOREAS INVITED TO PARTICIPATE)

D. UNCURK - WE AGREED WITH HAM THAT AUSTRALIANS
SHOULD HANDLE THIS ITEM WITH EXPLANATION OF UNCURK
ACTION TO DATE. CONTENT OF UNCURK REPORT RECOM-
MENDATIONS, TIMING OF SUBMISSION REPORT AND DISCUS-
SION OF UNCURK RES WOULD BE DISCUSSED. MISOFF

CONFIRMED WITH AUSTRALIAN FIRST SECRETARY CAMPBELL
THAT PREM REP MCINTYRE WOULD HANDLE THIS TOPIC.

E. MEASURES TO INSURE CONTINUED PRESENCE OF UN FORCES
IN KOREA.

F. HYPOTETICAL QUESTION OF WITHDRAWAL UN FORCES -
(HAM EXPLANINED THIS TITLE BY NOTING FONMIN OBJECTS
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TO USE OF TERM "CONTINGENCY PLANS"). HAM SAID ROK

DOES NOT PLAN DISCUSS ITS VOTE ESTIMATE ON HOSTILE RES ON UNC BUT BELIEVES GROUP SHOULD DISCUSS THIS SUBJECT IN DETAIL. HAM SAID ROK OFFICIAL POSITION IS TO OPPOSE DISSOLUTION UNC, BUT HOSTILE RES ON UNC PASSED BY UNGA WOULD BE CONSIDERED TERRIBLE SETBACK TO PEACE AND SECURITY OF KOREAN PENINSULA. HAM SUGGESTED GROUP MIGHT DISCUSS POSSIBILITY OF SIDE TAKING INITIATIVE TO DISCOLVE UNC IF WE CONSIDERED HOSTILE RES WOULD BE SUCCESSFUL. VALIDITY OF ARMISTICE AGREEMENT AND WHAT OBLIGATIONS OTHER SIDE WOULD BE WILLING ASSUME IF UNC DISSOLVED SHOULD BE DISCUSSED. HAM SUGGESTED ROK MIGHT BE WILLING CONSIDER MAKING UNILATERAL STATEMENT AGREEING TO GUARANTEE ARMISTICE AGREEMENT. HAM NOTED THAT ONE CONSIDERATION MIGHT BE TO RAISE UNC IN SECURITY COUNCIL. WE WOULD TRY TO GET AGREEMENT TO A RES WHICH WOULD CALL FOR SC GUARANTEE OF ARMISTICE AGREEMENT BUT FAILING A CONSENSUS ON THIS, HAM SUGGESTED WE WOULD PRESS SUCH A RES TO THE VOTE. ASSUMING OUR RES WOULD OTHERWISE PASS, A VETO BY THE PRC OR USSR WOULD PROVIDE PSYCHOLOGICAL ADVANTAGE IN UNGA WHICH MIGHT ASSIST IN DEFEATING HOSTILE RES. HAM SAID HE WOULD APPRECIATE USG VIEWS ON THIS CONTINGENCY.

2. WE AGREED THAT ABOVE AGENDA WOULD MORE THAN FILL AUG 8 MORNING SESSION AND HAVE AGREED TO MEET MORNING AUG 9 TO COMPLETE CONSULTATIONS. TIME PERMITTING GROUP WOULD ALSO DISCUSS SIMULTANEOUS ADMISSION RES, GENERAL COMMITTEE ASPECTS, TIMING OF DEBATE AND CO-SPONSORS OF UNCURK.

3. MISOFF BRIEFED AUSTRALIAN, UK, AND JAPANESE MISOFFS ON OUTLINE OF AGENDA. ALL AGREED TO KEEP MORNING AUG 9 OPEN FOR CONTINUATION OF MEETING IF NECESSARY.

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